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One of the fundamental functions of the United States government is to protect its citizens from the initiation of force and fraud. Microsoft is guilty of neither. Millions of people buy Microsoft products of their own free will. No one forces them to do so. The American people are not "helpless victims" who cannot choose software that is most useful to them. The government does not have a right to decide what can be on my or anybody's computer.

It's not the government's place to decide who has "too much" of the market. It is the consumer's job to do that by deciding what to purchase. The complaint against Microsoft originated with its unsuccessful competitors, not with its customers or partners. Failed businesses must not be allowed to set the rules for the markets in which they have failed.

Microsoft has a fundamental right to its property. The government's job is to protect that right, not to take it away. You must vote in favor of Microsoft because to do otherwise would blunt the entrepreneurial spirit if this great country.

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